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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Appl. No. : 10/649,671** Confirmation No. 5679  
**Applicant : Y. HIRAIWA et al.**  
**Filed : August 28, 2003**  
**Title : DISK SUBSYSTEM, COMPUTER SYSTEM, STORAGE  
MANAGING METHOD AND PROGRAM**  
**TC/AU : 2186**  
**Examiner : H.C. Kim**  
**Customer No.: 24956**

**AMENDMENT**

**MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 17, 2005, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper; and

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.